

LABOR MARKET REVIEW

Region 3

Statistical Data Report for January 2007

Released March 2007



The Fort Wayne MSA includes three counties; Allen, Wells, and Whitley Counties. The Economic Growth Region 3 includes; Adams, Allen, DeKalb, Grant, Huntington, LaGrange, Noble, Steuben, Wabash, Wells, and Whitley Counties.

January 2007 Labor Force Estimates
(not seasonally adjusted)

State Release Date: 03/09/07

Monthly Unemployment Rate Percentages

	01/07	12/06	01/06
U.S.	5.0	4.3	5.1
INDIANA	5.8	4.7	5.4
FORT WAYNE MSA	5.6	4.6	5.0
EGR 3	6.2	5.0	5.6
COUNTY:			
Adams	4.9	4.1	4.6
Allen	5.6	4.6	5.1
DeKalb	7.2	5.9	6.8
Grant	7.7	6.4	7.4
Huntington	6.2	4.8	5.4
LaGrange	7.0	5.6	6.0
Noble	7.4	6.0	6.9
Steuben	8.1	6.3	6.8
Wabash	6.2	5.2	6.0
Wells	5.4	4.1	4.7
Whitley	5.7	4.3	5.1
CITY:			
Angola	6.2	4.8	5.5
Auburn	7.2	6.3	7.0
Bluffton	5.9	5.0	4.5
Columbia City	6.3	4.8	5.3
Decatur	6.5	5.5	6.0
Fort Wayne	5.9	4.9	5.4
Huntington	6.9	5.5	5.8
Indianapolis(Cons)	5.1	4.5	5.1
Kendallville	8.1	6.9	7.8
Marion	8.5	7.2	8.4
Wabash City	8.0	6.3	7.2
OTHER MSA'S			
Indianapolis	4.8	4.1	4.7
Gary	6.3	4.9	5.6
Evansville	5.5	4.6	5.0

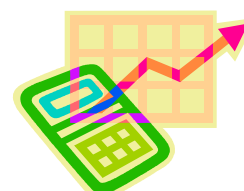
The LAUS (local area unemployment statistics) program will no longer revise the prior month's state labor force estimates each month. Estimates will be subject to revision at the beginning of the following calendar year.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE RANKING BY COUNTY (HIGH TO LOW)

<u>RANK – January 2007</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>
1	Crawford(9.3%)
4	Steuben
8	Grant
14	Noble
15	DeKalb
20	LaGrange
39	Huntington
42	Wabash
57	Whitley
58	Allen
66	Wells
76	Adams
92	Hamilton (3.6%)

SURROUNDING STATES UNEMPLOYMENT January 2007 (not seasonally adjusted)

Illinois	5.2%
Kentucky	6.3%
Michigan	7.7%
Ohio	6.2%



ALL ABOUT UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

For a detailed report on how the government measures unemployment rates click on the following link:

http://www.bls.gov/cps/cps_htgm.htm

For the detailed news summary regarding the employment situation in the United States click on the following link: (Adobe Acrobat necessary)

<http://www.bls.gov/news.release/pdf/empst.pdf>

REGIONAL AND STATE UNEMPLOYMENT (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

Regional and state unemployment rates were generally little changed in January. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor, 26 states recorded over the month unemployment rate decreases, 18 states registered rate increases, and 6 states had no change. In January the Midwest again registered the highest unemployment rate among the four regions, 5.0 percent. Hawaii again recorded the lowest unemployment rate, 2.2 percent. The states posting the next lowest rates were Utah and Wyoming at 2.6 percent each, Montana at 2.7 percent and Virginia at 2.8 percent. Michigan reported the highest unemployment rate, 6.9 percent, followed by Alaska and South Carolina at 6.4 percent each and Mississippi at 6.2 percent. Over the year, jobless rates were down in 36 states, up in 10 states, and unchanged in 4 states. Mississippi recorded the largest over the year jobless rate decrease. Three states reported significant unemployment rate increases from a year earlier—Massachusetts, Nevada and Vermont.

FORT WAYNE MSA



WAGE AND SALARIED

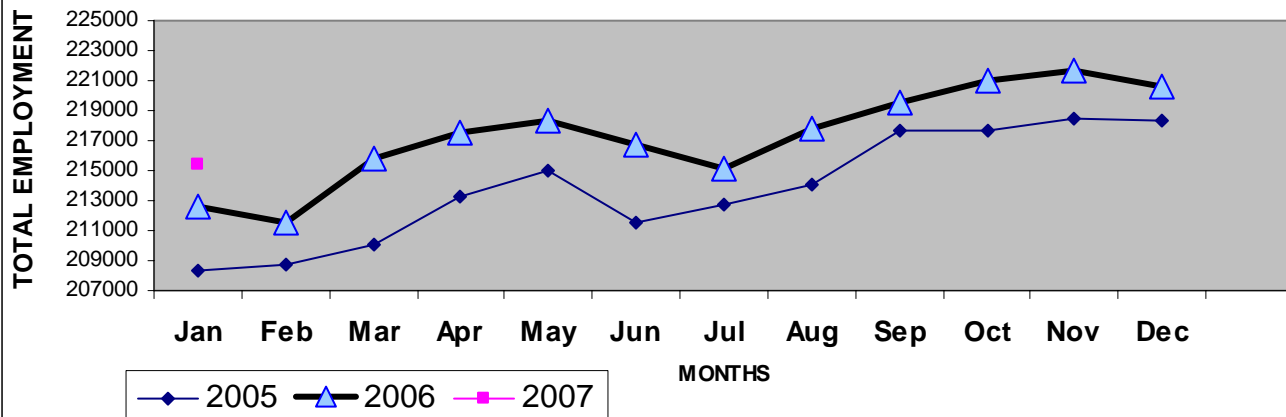
	Fort Wayne MSA			CHANGE FROM			
	JANUARY 2007	DECEMBER 2006	JANUARY 2006	DEC. 2006 TO JAN. 2007		JAN. 2006 TO JAN. 2007	
Total Nonfarm	215,400	220,600	212,600	-5,200	-2.4%	+2,800	+1.3%
Total Private	194,000	198,600	190,400	-4,600	-2.3%	+3,600	+1.9%
Goods Producing	48,600	50,200	48,000	-1,600	-3.2%	+600	+1.3%
Service-Providing	166,800	170,400	164,600	-3,600	-2.1%	+2,200	+1.3%
Private Srvc Provide	145,400	148,400	142,400	-3,000	-2.0%	+3,000	+2.1%
Nat. Res & Construction	10,700	11,600	10,400	-900	-7.8%	+300	+2.9%
Manufacturing	37,900	38,600	37,600	-700	-1.8%	+300	+0.8%
Durable Goods	28,900	29,200	28,700	-300	-1.0%	+200	+0.7%
Computer and Electronic	4,600	4,500	4,300	+100	+2.2%	+300	+7.0%
Transportation Equipment	6,200	6,300	6,400	-100	-1.6%	-200	-3.1%
Trade, Transportation, Utilities	47,500	48,600	46,300	-1,100	-2.3%	+1,200	+2.6%
Wholesale Trade	13,100	13,200	12,800	-100	-0.8%	+300	+2.3%
Retail Trade	23,300	24,300	22,900	-1,000	-4.1%	+400	+1.7%
Trans,Warehouse, Utilities	11,100	11,100	10,600	+0	+0.0%	+500	+4.7%
Information	3,600	3,600	3,600	+0	+0.0%	+0	+0.0%
Financial Activities	11,900	12,000	12,100	-100	-0.8%	-200	-1.7%
Professional and Business	20,600	21,500	19,900	-900	-4.2%	+700	+3.5%
Educational and Health	35,300	35,500	33,900	-200	-0.6%	+1,400	+4.1%
Leisure and Hospitality	18,600	19,200	18,500	-600	-3.1%	+100	+0.5%
Food Services and Drinking	15,900	16,400	15,900	-500	-3.0%	+0	+0.0%
Other Services	7,900	8,000	8,100	-100	-1.3%	-200	-2.5%
Government	21,400	22,000	22,200	-600	-2.7%	-800	-3.6%
Federal Government	2,200	2,300	2,200	-100	-4.3%	+0	+0.0%
State Government	3,400	3,500	4,000	-100	-2.9%	-600	-15.0%
Local Government	15,800	16,200	16,000	-400	-2.5%	-200	-1.3%
Local Govt Education	9,200	9,600	9,500	-400	-4.2%	-300	-3.2%

Source: Indiana Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Current Employment Statistics.

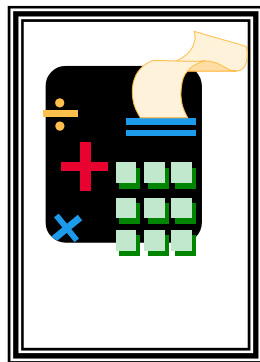
HOURS AND EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION OR NON-SUPERVISORY WORKERS BY INDUSTRY FT. WAYNE MSA

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	JAN 2007	DEC 2006	JAN 2006	JAN 2007	DEC 2006	JAN 2006	JAN 2007	DEC 2006	JAN 2006
Manufacturing	\$711.76	\$714.11	\$751.49	41.0	40.9	42.1	\$17.36	\$17.46	\$17.85
Retail Trade	\$312.83	\$326.03	\$310.69	29.1	31.5	29.2	\$10.75	\$10.35	\$10.64

FT WAYNE MSA EMPLOYMENT TRENDS



MONTHLY COMPARISON OF TOTAL CLAIMS BY LOCAL OFFICE

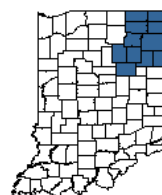


LOCAL OFFICE	January 2007	December 2006	Previous Month % Change	January 2006	Year Ago % Change
Anderson	14,675	8,536	71.9%	11,195	31.1%
Auburn	17,909	12,937	38.4%	17,721	1.1%
Connersville	3,812	3,176	20.0%	4,193	-9.1%
Fort Wayne	27,877	19,839	40.5%	23,030	21.0%
Marion	9,427	6,801	38.6%	8,527	10.6%
Muncie	16,547	10,350	59.9%	16,757	-1.3%
Richmond	6,023	4,068	48.1%	5,661	6.4%
INDIANA	427,630	298,213	43.4%	389,630	9.8%

APPLICANT POOL ECONOMIC GROWTH REGION 3

Applicant Pool provides a numerical ranking of the top twenty jobs being sought by job applicants. These data are extracted from the Department of Workforce Development's Customer Self Service System (CS3). Each week the job title list in the applicant pool is determined by examining the pool of applicants who are registered in CS3. The twenty job titles that are specified most often by job applicants in the CS3 system are listed. The numbers of applicants requesting those jobs are also displayed. Report date 3/4/2007

Job Title	Number of Applicants
Assemblers (Factory Work)	8,036
Production Laborers	6,610
All Other Machine Operators	4,383
Forklift/Industrial Truck Operators	3,991
Hand Packers & Packagers	3,237
All Other Hand Workers	2,876
Production Inspectors, Testers, Graders	2,278
Stock Clerks: Stockroom/Warehouse	2,122
General Office Clerks	2,100
Cashiers, General	2,001
Shipping & Receiving Clerks	1,724
All Other Metal & Plastic Machine Operators	1,677
Receptionists/Information Clerks	1,606
Production Helpers	1,597
All Other Precision Assemblers	1,586
Order Fillers – Wholesale/Retail Sales	1,495
All Other Machine Setters & Set-up Operators	1,495
Other Inspectors & Testers	1,463
Other Hand Material Mover	1,452
Machine Assemblers	1,436



Economic Growth Region 3 Wage Demand

AREA (03/04/07)	Average Annual Wage Demand	Median Annual Wage Demand	Number of Applicants
EGR 3	\$25,626	\$20,800	22,620
Adams	\$28,677	\$20,800	625
Allen	\$25,941	\$20,800	9,418
DeKalb	\$21,959	\$20,800	1,678
Grant	\$21,596	\$18,720	3,811
Huntington	\$25,086	\$20,800	1,067
LaGrange	\$37,933	\$24,960	797
Noble	\$27,310	\$20,800	1,485
Steuben	\$27,304	\$20,800	1,143
Wabash	\$26,959	\$20,800	1,158
Wells	\$27,179	\$20,800	607
Whitley	\$31,099	\$22,880	831
Indiana	\$27,801	\$20,800	168,411

Wage Demand provides the applicants' desired wages and the number of applicants registered in CS3. The pool of applicants who are registered in the CS3 system is examined each week. Applicants define their wage expectations for the work that they would like to obtain. An average wage demand and median wage demand are calculated for the selected geographical area. The data are available from the state level to the county level. For other areas, check out our web site: <http://www.hoosierdata.in.gov> under Wage Demand on the Site Map/Index. *EGR 3 includes Adams, Allen, DeKalb, Grant, Huntington, LaGrange, Noble, Steuben, Wabash, Wells and Whitley Counties.



REGION 3 JOB OPENINGS

The following hourly wage information is for selected occupations that the Indiana Workforce Development offices in east central Indiana received during January 2007. The data are from the agency's Customer Self Service System (CS3) and Seagate Crystal reports software. Occupations are listed in descending order based on number of openings.

OCCUPATIONAL TITLES	MINIMUM WAGE	AVERAGE WAGE	MAXIMUM WAGE
Production Laborers	\$8.00	\$9.80	\$13.00
Tire Building Machine Operators	13.00	13.00	13.00
All Other Machine Operators	10.85	13.18	18.96
All Other Metal & Plastic Machine Operators	10.95	12.66	19.41
Plastic Molding & Casting Machine Operators	10.95	13.54	19.41
All Other Hand Workers	7.25	8.94	14.00
Customer Service Reps –Utilities	5.15	9.57	18.91
Data Entry Keyers, except Composing	8.00	10.36	14.18
Hand Packers & Packagers	6.25	7.52	10.85
Forklift/Industrial Truck Operators	11.00	12.33	14.00
Machinery Maintenance Servicers	15.35	19.61	22.00
Packaging/Filling Machine Operators	7.25	8.87	11.75
Machinists	15.00	15.18	15.35
Numerical Control Machine Tool Operators	10.00	14.13	16.00
Heat Treat, Anneal & Tempering Machine Op	18.96	18.96	18.96
Millwrights and Machinery Erectors	15.35	15.35	15.35
Welders and Cutters	8.00	9.94	12.00



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Consumer Price Index

1 Month Percent Change

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Midwest Urban Average(All items)

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2006	0.6	-0.1	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	-0.7	-0.7	0.3	0.1
2007	0.1											

12 Months Percent Change

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Midwest Urban Average(All items)

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2006	3.6	3.0	3.1	2.8	3.3	3.4	3.3	2.8	0.6	0.1	1.3	1.7
2007	1.2											

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics



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